

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2105–S2162

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 961–977, S. Res. 133, and S. Con. Res. 11–12. **Pages S2117–18**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “History, Jurisdiction, and a Summary of Activities of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources During the 115th Congress”. (S. Rept. No. 116–25)

S. 771, to amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors.

S. 772, to require an annual report on the cybersecurity of the Small Business Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Con. Res. 12, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2020 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2021 through 2024.

Special Report entitled “Report on Legislative Activities of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions”. (S. Rept. No. 116–26)

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Measures Passed:

Honoring Elizebeth Smith Friedman: Senate agreed to S. Res. 133, honoring the life and legacy of Elizebeth Smith Friedman, Cryptanalyst.

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Measures Considered:

Supplemental Appropriations Act: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 268, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, taking action on the following motions and amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S2105–14**

Pending:

Shelby Amendment No. 201, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2105**

McConnell Amendment No. 213 (to Amendment No. 201), to change the enactment date. **Page S2105**

McConnell Amendment No. 214 (to Amendment No. 213), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2105**

McConnell Amendment No. 215 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 201), to change the enactment date. **Page S2105**

McConnell Amendment No. 216 (to Amendment No. 215), of a perfecting nature. **Page S2105**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 44 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 55), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on Shelby Amendment No. 201 (listed above). **Page S2113**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on Shelby Amendment No. 201. **Page S2113**

By 46 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 56), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the bill. **Pages S2113–14**

Senator McConnell entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the bill. **Page S2114**

Escort Committee—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency Jens Stoltenberg, Secretary General of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Wednesday, April 3, 2019. **Page S2160**

Nominations in the Senate—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 2, 2019, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration S. Res. 50, improving procedures for the consideration of nominations in the

Senate, with the time until 12:30 p.m., equally divided between the two Leaders or their designees.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a notice of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to South Sudan that was declared in Executive Order 13664 of April 3, 2014; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM-8)

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Kessler Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jeffrey Kessler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of S. Res. 50, improving procedures for the consideration of nominations in the Senate.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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Altman Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Roy Kalman Altman, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Jeffrey Kessler, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Daniel Habib Jorjani, of Kentucky, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

23 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Messages from the House:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—56)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:17 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 2, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2160.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Heath P. Tarbert, of Maryland, to be Chairman and a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 20 public bills, H.R. 1999-2018; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 273, and 275-279 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 274, providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 7) to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress; providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 271) Condemning the Trump Administrations's Legal Campaign to Take Away